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Dr. Scoville:

This is Mr. Bissell's basic file on AQUATONE/CHALICE/IDEALIST. It gets quite scanty for probably understandable reasons after 1 May 60. Mr. Bissell's view was that with the exception of a couple of formal signed agreements herein, most of this was of passing interest and could safely be destroyed. I would disagree with this judgment, if only from the standpoint of an intelligence historian. This is not to suggest that you should take time out now (or maybe ever) to read all these papers, but they seem to me to provide such a fascinating historical background of the Project as to weigh against final destruction.

I would simply recommend that this file, which is not bulky, be retained in the back of a safe until someone decides to write a book.

  
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